



\$ 2643

#8/A  
LB  
6/25/03

Appl. No. 09/706,188  
Amdt. Dated June 16, 2003  
Reply to Office action of December 18, 2003

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Appl. No. : 09/706,188  
Applicant : Andi Vonlanthen  
Filed : November 3, 2000  
Title : METHOD FOR CONTROLLING THE DYNAMIC RANGE OF A  
HEARING AID, AND METHOD TO MANUFACTURE DIFFERENT  
HEARING AIDS, AND A HEARING AID

TC/A.U. : 2643  
Examiner : Brian Ensey

Docket No. : 33109

**RECEIVED**

**JUN 24 2003**

**Technology Center 2600**

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendments  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT "A"**

Sir:

This amendment is filed in response to the Office action dated December 18, 2003 (Paper No. 7). The three month period for responding to the Office action expired on March 18, 2003. Accordingly, Applicant respectfully request and petition that the response date be extended, three (3) months, to June 18, 2003. The \$930.00 extension of time fee is enclosed. Also enclosed is the fee of \$168.00 to cover fees resulting from the addition of two independent claims.

**Amendments to the Specification** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 9 of this paper.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail in an envelope addressed to: Hon. Commissioner for Patents, Box Non-Fee Amendment, Washington D.C. 20231 on the date indicated below.

Suzanne B. Gagnon

Name of Attorney for Applicant(s)

*Suzanne B. Gagnon* 6/16/03  
(Signature of Attorney/Date)